

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: ARAI et al

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For: Method Of Detecting Particles And A Processing Apparatus Using The Same

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Examiner: R. Zervigon

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Office Action dated January 3, 2008. The amendments are listed below and set forth on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims;

Remarks are included following the amendments.